



February 22, 2002

Magalie R. Salas, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Meeting in CC Docket Nos. 02-33, 95-20, 98-10, 98-147, 96-98

Dear Ms. Salas:

This letter is to provide notice in the above-captioned docketed proceedings of an *ex parte* meeting on February 21, 2002 by Jonathan Askin and John Windhausen of the Association for Local Telecommunications Services, Jason Oxman of Covad Communications, and Richard Metzger of Focal Communications with Kyle Dixon, legal advisor to Chairman Powell. During the meeting, the parties discussed the scope of the FCC's recent Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket Nos. 02-33, 95-20, and 98-10. Because the issues raised in the NPRM implicate conclusions in CC Docket Nos. 98-147 and 96-98, we are also submitting this letter for inclusion in those dockets.

The parties discussed the potential implications of the tentative conclusions set forth in the NPRM on facilities-based competitive local exchange carriers. In particular the parties discussed the affects these conclusions might have on incumbent carriers' legal obligations to provision wholesale facilities to competitive carriers.

Please include this notice of *ex parte* contact for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceedings. If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me at 202-969-2587.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jonathan Askin